FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 4085 – HB 4058

March 17, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014026): Requires the Department of Health to report on the use of the tobacco-use prevention and smoking cessation funds and efforts to enhance utilization of breast and cervical cancer screenings by February 1, 2009. The Department is directed to study the feasibility of creating a Tennessee Colorectal Cancer Screening Program for uninsured and underinsured women and men and report its findings by February 1, 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$77,700/One-Time

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Any cost associated with reporting on existing programs of the Department of Health will not be significant and can be accommodated within existing resources without an increase appropriation or reduced reversion.
- The Department of Health will contract with a higher education institution with expertise and interest in specialized health economics to conduct the feasibility study to create the Tennessee Colorectal Cancer Screening Program. The contract is estimated to result in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$77,700.
- This amount includes estimates for substantial travel to access the network of service providers and collaboration between the Regional Health Departments, potential service providers and the Tennessee Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition to determine the appropriate screening methods, funding options for screening and treatment, reimbursement rates and determination of the pilot site.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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